Revision of the S.S.L.C. scheme.

* 149 *Q.*—Mr. A. HARISCHANDRUDU: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any proposals before the Government for revising the S.S.L.C. scheme;

(*b*) if so, when they are likely to be put into effect;

(*c*) whether the opinion of the different Universities in the Province has been obtained on these proposals; and

(*d*) if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) No; the matter is reported to be under the consideration of the S.S.L.C. Board.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) & (*d*) The S.S.L.C. Board has consulted the three Universities in the Province.

Revision of the S.S.L.C. curriculum.

* 150 *Q.*—Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether there is any proposal for revising the present curriculum for the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate; if so, what the details of the proposal are?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to clauses (*a*) & (*b*) of question No. 149.

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—"May I know from the hon. Minister if it will be possible for him to revise the present curriculum of the Secondary School-Leaving course, if not now, at least in the next school year?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"That is a matter for the S.S.L.C. Board."

Mr. P. V. KRISHNAYYA CHOUDARI:—"Will the hon. the Minister be pleased to advise the Board to consider the matter and dispose it of at least in the next school year?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—"I do not think that it is desirable that I should issue any such order to the S.S.L.C. Board; they are sure to resent it."

Expenditure on the maintenance of the Government Hobart Training and Secondary School.

* 151 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the nature and total value is of the endowments in favour of the Government Hobart Training and Secondary School, Madras;

(*b*) what the total income derived is from the said endowment and how the same is derived; what the nature of the investment is;

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(c) what the total annual expenditure on the maintenance of the Government Hobart Training and Secondary School is and what the detailed heads are of the charges for the last five years;

(d) what the amount of fees collected from the pupils annually for the last five years has been; and

(e) what the net saving, if any, to the Government, has been in respect of the said school during the last five years?

A.—(a) & (b) An annual income of Rs. 402 is derived from the following endowment securities in the custody of the Accountant-General, Madras:—

	RS.
(i) A Government security in 3 per cent loan of 1896–97	100
(ii) Do. 3½ per cent loan of 1865 ..	9,000
(iii) Do. 3½ per cent loan of 1865 ..	2,400
	11,500

(c) & (d) The figures for the five years ending with 1931–32 are given below:—

Expenditure from Provincial funds.

Section.	1927–28.	1928–29	1929–30.	1930–31.	1931–32.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Secondary ..	27,821	29,369	26,030	24,956	22,939
Training ..	9,354	10,258	11,708	14,761	12,970
Industrial ..	7,830	896	1,475	1,535	1,480
Total ..	45,005	40,523	39,213	41,252	37,389

Receipts from fees.

1927–28.	1928–29.	1929–30.	1930–31.	1931–32.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
Nil.	Nil.	543	581	604

(e) There has been no saving; the school is run at a loss to Government.

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—" With reference to the answer given to clause (c), may I know why there has been a steady fall in the expenditure from the year 1928 to 1932?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" Notice."

Mr. YAKUB HASAN:—" May I know why the amount spent on the Industrial section of the school was reduced to Rs. 1,480 in 1931–32 from Rs. 1,535 in 1930–31? What industries which were being taught before have since been abolished?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" Notice, Sir, before I answer such details."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN:—" May I ask the hon. Minister to kindly enquire into the causes which were responsible for the fall in the expenditure on the institution during these years and ask him whether he will himself do the needful in the matter?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" If my hon. Friend means that I should make a personal enquiry, I do not think it will be possible for me to do so. I shall make such enquiry as is usual with regard to such official matters."

Language qualifications of the staff of the Government Hobart Training and Secondary School.

* 152 *Q.*—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state with reference to the Government Hobart Training and Secondary School—

(*a*) what the subjects taught through the medium of English are and what the subjects taught through the medium of Urdu are in the high school classes;

(*b*) how many of the teachers in the said school have undergone training in Urdu for teaching the Muslim pupils through the medium of Urdu and how many have not had such training; and

(*c*) who the former are and what their service in each case under Government is?

A.—(*a*) In the high school classes all the subjects, except Urdu, are taught through the medium of English.

(*b*) Sixteen teachers can teach in Urdu and six cannot do so.

(*c*)

Name.	Years of service.
1. Miss Dweltz	13
2. Mrs. Khamur Unissa	4
3. Mrs. Swarnammal	21
4. Mahaboob Unissa	9
5. Kareem Unissa	9
6. Kubra Begum	9
7. Sogra Begum	9
8. Ameer Unissa	3
9. Begum Jan	4
10. Puthlee Begum	4
11. Faiz Unissa	4
12. Zamruth Begum	6
13. Mumthee Begum	21
14. Chand Begum	10
15. Masson Begum	11
16. Miss Mitchell	18

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed :—" May I know whether the 16 teachers whose names are given in answer to clause (*c*) of my question are all connected only with the lower classes which are below Form I or Form III?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" I cannot say that offhand."